

COUNTRY Poland

REPORT NO.

TOPIC Alexandrow Airfield

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PLACE OBTAINED

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DATE OF CONTENT fall 1948 to December 1950

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SOURCE

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a new airfield was under construction between Alexandrow and Poddebice (Q 52/0 55), south of the Alexandrow-Poddebice road. About 1,000 workers did grading work at the field in 1948 and 1949.

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In the summer of 1949, construction of an airfield started on the Alexandrow estate at the southwestern perimeter of Alexandrow. The area of the field extended along the southern side of the road to Poddebice. In late 1950, the estate was evacuated, and the razing of buildings started. At the same time, 200 to 300 workers equipped with shovels and picks did grading work. There were no indications that a runway was to be constructed. No soldiers were observed arriving in Alexandrow. *

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Comment. This is the first report on the construction of a new airfield near Alexandrow. The statements of two independent sources are believed to be credible. No conclusions can be drawn as to the extent of construction work or the size of the airfield. The vicinity of Lodz industrial center would explain the construction of an airfield for air defense, especially as Lodz-Lublinck airfield is presently used by both military and civilian aircraft.

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